Job Title: Biological Science Technician Crg-05-027

Date Listed 06/24/2005
Job Location Corvallis
Salary \$13.21 Per Hour
Education Required Bachelors
Experience Required At least 9 months
Minimum Age 0
Hours Worked Per Week 40

Shift Day Shift

Duration of Job Full Time, less than 6 months

Application Deadline 06/28/2005

Additional Requirements Non-Commercial Drivers License

Job Summary: This position will last about 3months.

Qualifications: Must have at least 9 months of field survey party experience OR 3 years of sub-professional work experience OR 3 years of college with courses related to the work of the position to be filled plus 3 months lab or field experience.

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Valid driver license. Working knowledge of Microsoft Excel. Prefer good working knowledge of basic laboratory skills, and knowledge analyzing samples with a TOC/TN instrument.

Duties: Incumbent participates primarily as a laboratory assistant in a reserach prgram that includes effects of natural and anthropogenic disturbance on forested ecosystems. Research takes place in Oregon Coast Range adn Olympic National Park, Washington. Responsible for assisting in laboratory analysis of water, plant and soil samples, data entry and periodic summary of data. Preferably has a good working knowledge of basic laboratory skills, and knowledge of analyzing samples with a TOC/TN instrument. May also assist in field sampling of vegetation and soils at selected study sites, including the transport of sampling to Corvallis according to project protocols.

Work involves contact with chemicals, including concentrated acids and bases, long hours spent standing, bending, walking, and a great amount of physical exertion. The incumbent may be required to lift containers weighing up to 35 pounds.

THESE ARE TEMPORARILY EXCEPTED SERVICE POSITIONS for which all qualified applicants, with or without Federal status may apply and be considered. Appointment to these positions, however, will not convey permanent status in the Federal service. Appointment will only be for the duration of the position, normally 6-9 months. The Social Security Retirement System covers temporary employees and annual and sick leave will be accrued except in intermittent status. Employees are ineligible for health and life insurance coverage.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

BASIS OF EVALUATION: All applicants will be evaluated on the basis of education and experience (including unpaid or volunteer experience). Applicants must meet all qualifications and eligibility requirements by the closing date of this announcement.

First preference in referral will be given to eligible applicants entitled to 10 point veterans preference who have a compensable service-connected disability of 10 percent or more. All other qualified applicants entitled to veterans preference will be given preference over qualified applicants not entitled to veterans preference.

ALL APPLICANTS MUST BE UNITED STATES CITIZENS: Under regulations contained in the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986, employment in this position is limited to those persons who are authorized to work in the United States. Verification of employment eligibility will be required at the time of appointment.

As a condition of appointment, all new employees reporting for duty with the Department of the Interior will be paid through direct deposit to a financial institution of their choice.

Applicants selected for Federal employment will be required to complete a Declaration for Federal Employment, OF-306, prior to being appointed to determine their suitability for Federal employment and to authorize a background investigation. Failure to answer all questions truthfully and completely or providing false statements on the application may be grounds for not hiring the applicant, or for firing the applicant after he/she begins work. Also he/she may be punished by fine or imprisonment (U.S. Code, Title 18, section 1001).

Prior to or at the time of appointment, male applicants born after December 31, 1959, will have to certify that they have registered with the Selective Service System in order to be appointed to a position with the United States Geological Survey, unless legally qualified for an exception.

Employees of the U.S. Geological Survey are subject to the provisions of Title 43, U.S. Code, Section 31 (a) and may not according to this legislation and related regulation: (a) have any personal or private interest, direct or indirect, in lands or mineral wealth of such lands or a region under survey and whose title is in the U.S.; (b) execute surveys or examination for private parties or corporations; or (c) have personal or private interest, direct or indirect, in any private mining or mineral enterprise doing business in the U.S. except where specifically authorized by the Director of the U.S. Geological Survey.

HOW TO APPLY: Carefully read all information and instructions. It is the responsibility of the applicant to insure the application is complete. The personnel office will not be responsible for soliciting additional information from applicants or from official personnel records, but will consider individuals based on their applications as submitted. Applications must be received in the FRESC, Corvallis Research Group Office by the closing date on the announcement in order to be considered. To obtain an OF 612, contact the U.S. Geological Survey, Biological Resources Discipline, Corvallis Research Group (541)750-8781, or any Federal Personnel Office.

Submit one of the following forms of application: (a) résumé OR (b) OF-612, Optional Application for Federal Employment, OR (c) other written format. Electronic submissions is acceptable. Please also submit transcripts (unofficial acceptable) to document all education used for position qualification.

To claim 5 point Veterans Preference, a DD-214 showing character of discharge is required. If claiming 10 point Veterans Preference, an SF-15 with proof of claim is required.

SUBMIT APPLICATIONS TO: Michelle Schatz – Admin Operations Asst - Personnel

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It is against the law to submit applications for employment using government franked envelopes or mail services (18 U.S.C. 1719). All such applications will not be considered.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE CLOSING DATE OF THE ANNOUNCEMENT TO BE CONSIDERED